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July 2, 1982

Lawrence Evers, Mayor, Town of Darby, P. O. Box 37, Darby, MT 59827
Board of County Commissioners, Ravalli Co. Courthouse, Hamilton, MT 59840
Don Mullin, Co. Sanitarian, Courthouse, Box 5019, Hamilton, MT 59840
Mr. Richard Walters, Valley Auto Dismantlers, P. O. Box 118, Darby, MT
Myron Holzheimer, Department of Highways, 2701 Prospect Ave., Helena, MT
Tom Ellerhoff, Environmental Sciences Division, DHES, Cogswell Bldg., Helena, MT
Environmental Quality Council, Capitol Bldg., Rm. 432, Helena, MT 59620
X Montana State Library, Harold Chambers, 930 E. Lyndale, Helena, MT 59620

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana, Section 16-2.2(2)-P2030, Rule IV, the following Preliminary Environmental Review has been prepared by the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning Valley Auto Dismantlers in Darby, Montana.

The purpose of the Preliminary Environmental Review is to inform all interested governmental agencies, public groups or individuals of the proposed action and to determine whether or not the action may have a significant effect on the human environment. This Preliminary Environmental Review will be circulated for a period of fifteen (15) days at which time a decision will be made as to our future action.

If you care to comment on this proposed action, please do so within the allotted time.

Sincerely,

LARRY D. MITCHELL
Solid Waste Management Bureau
Environmental Sciences Division

LDM:vc
Encls.

cc: City-County Planner, Ravalli Co. Courthouse, Hamilton, MT 59840

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HELENA, MONTANA 59620

FORM 1

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
 Cogswell Building, Helena, Montana 59601
 (406)449-3946

PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Division/Bureau Environmental Sciences Division/Solid Waste Management Bureau

Project or Application Richard Walters dba/Valley Auto Dismantlers

Description of Project Establishing and licensing a new motor vehicle wrecking facility in Darby, Montana.

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Terrestrial & aquatic life and habitats				X		
2. Water quality, quantity and distribution				X		
3. Geology & soil quality, stability and moisture				X		
4. Vegetation cover, quantity and quality				X		
5. Aesthetics				X		X
6. Air quality				X		
7. Unique, endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources				X		
8. Demands on environmental resources of land, water, air & energy				X		
9. Historical and archaeological sites				X		

POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Social structures and mores				X		
2. Cultural uniqueness and diversity				X		
3. Local and state tax base & tax revenue			X			X
4. Agricultural or industrial production				X		
5. Human health				X		
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income			X			X
7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities				X		
8. Quantity and distribution of employment			X			X
9. Distribution and density of population and housing				X		
10. Demands for government services				X		X
11. Industrial & commercial activity				X		
12. Demands for energy				X		
13. Locally adopted environmental plans & goals				X		X
14. Transportation networks & traffic flows				X		

Other groups or agencies contacted or which may have overlapping jurisdiction Montana Department of Highways

Individuals or groups contributing to this PER. Darby City Council

Recommendation concerning preparation of EIS Not necessary

PER Prepared by: Larry D. Mitchell

Date: July 1, 1982 LARRY D. MITCHELL

DHES/ESD-2

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

5. Aesthetics

The Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law and rules require that all junked vehicles and motor vehicle wrecking facilities be screened from public view. Public view is defined as that point six feet above the centerline of any public road. The applicant has shielded a rectangular shaped vehicle storage area on all four sides with a wooden fence of sufficient height to provide screening from the public roads in the area. However, the boards on the fence have been spaced such that the existing fence does not meet the screening standards of Rule 16.14.202 ARM. That rule allows a maximum gap between vertical boards of 1½ inches in order to allow for wind load reduction. However, to avoid a snow fence appearance and the resulting ineffective screening, the rule also requires a minimum of 7½ inches of fencing material between air gaps. The rule was adopted based on a fence constructed of 1" X 8" boards spaced a maximum of 1½ inches apart. Fencing of lesser density does not provide the effective degree of screening required by law.

The applicant will be required to increase the screening density of the south, north and east fences before a license can be issued. The west fence is adequate as a large dirt bank and vegetation effectively screen that side of the proposed facility from public view. The west fence is extraneous for screening but helpful in controlling access. Also the gate on the south end will require some form of screening prior to a license being issued. The aesthetic impact from a properly screened wrecking facility is minimal or non-existent. This facility, once licensed and properly maintained, should be a model for the industry due to the care and concern already exhibited by the applicant.

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

3. Local and state tax base and tax revenue
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income
8. Quantity and distribution of employment

The anticipated successful operation of this proposed facility should have at least a minor positive impact on all the above criteria. In addition to employment and income opportunities for the owner/operator and any employees necessary for the business, vehicle salvage yards can have beneficial economic impacts on secondary trades and industries. Examples of these are construction, shipping, advertising, vehicle repairs, insurance, communications and others depending on the viability of the individual business.

10. Demand for government services

Periodic inspections of the facility by state and local junk vehicle program officials may be required to assure that the facility is being maintained and operated in compliance with the Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law and rules. Also, a minor amount of administrative office time will be required to prepare files and handle routine correspondence.

13. Locally adopted environment plans and goals

The establishment and operation of a motor vehicle wrecking facility at the proposed location does not violate any locally adopted land use planning or zoning ordinances as certified on the application by the town of Darby.



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Environmental Sciences Division
Solid Waste Management Bureau
Helena, Montana 59601

MOTOR VEHICLE WRECKING FACILITY

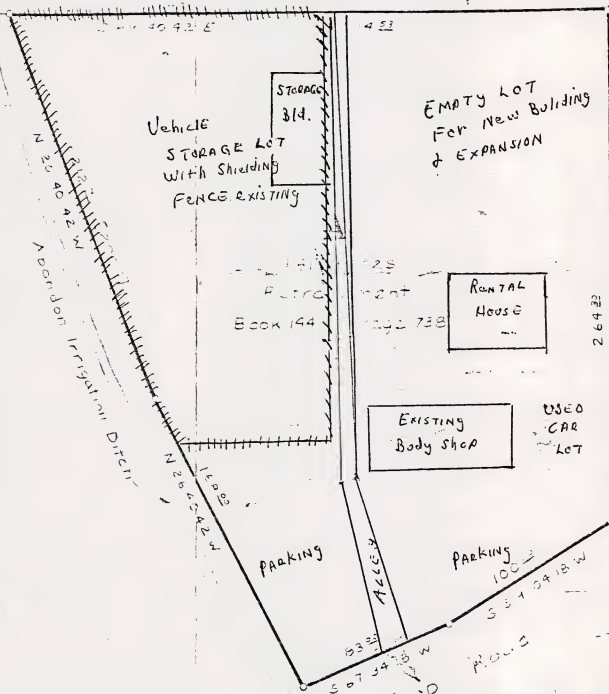
APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Complete this form and return with attachments to: Solid Waste Management Bureau
Montana Department of Health and
Environmental Sciences
Room A201, Cogswell Building
Helena, MT 59620

- 1) Name of applicant: RICHARD W. WALTERS
- 2) Name of facility: VALLEY AUTO DISMANTLER DBA DICK WALTERS ENTERPRISE
- 3) Address: Hiway 93 & TIN Cup Rd PO BOX 114 DARBY MT. 59829
- 4) Size and legal description of facility: ENCLOSED COPY of
Survey & Acreage ON Town Plat, Drawing ON Survey
of EXISTING buildings & SHIELDING OF FACILITY & PICTURES
- 5) If you are not the owner of the premises, give name and address of lessor who holds title to the property:
- Name: _____
- Address: _____
- 6) Attachments: a) Map of city or county showing proposed location of facility.
- b) Drawing of proposed facility showing especially the type and adequacy of shielding of facility from public view and location of buildings.
- 7) I hereby certify that the site of the planned motor vehicle wrecking facility is in accordance with local government zoning and ordinances (to be signed by appropriate local government official having knowledge of local zoning ordinances).
- TITLE: Paul H. Honey (Town Council) (minutes 6-14-82)
- OF: Darby
(city or county)
- 8) Date (year and month) that your facility will begin operation: TENATIVE
Aug 1, 82
- SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: Richard W. Walters PHONE: 821-3448 HM
821-3147 BUS
- TITLE: Owner DATE: 6-15-82



Retracement Town of Derby Plat
See G.S. N°

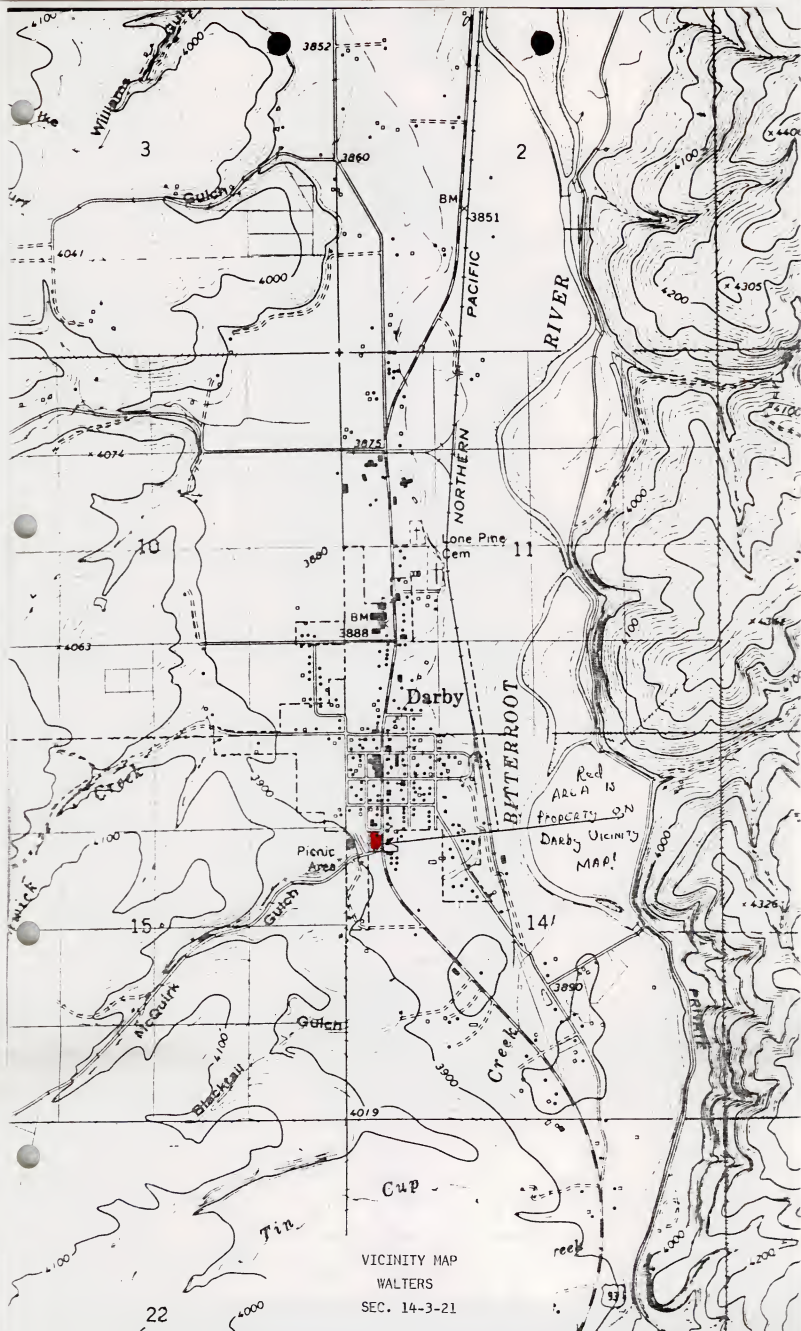


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U.S. Hwy 93

Note!
~~Shielding~~ FENCE
Buildings ARE NOT
in ANY SCALE





VICINITY MAP
WALTERS
SEC. 14-3-21



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
PERSONNEL DIVISION



TED SCHWINDEN GOVERNOR

ROOM 130 MITCHELL BUILDING

STATE OF MONTANA

(406) 449-3871

HELENA, MONTANA 59620

PERSONNEL AND LABOR RELATIONS STUDY COMMISSION
MEETING

Date: Tuesday, July 20 and Wednesday, July 21

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. - July 20
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - July 21

Place: Auditorium - New Highway Building
2701 Prospect Avenue, Helena

Agenda Items:

July 20 - 1:00 p.m. Staff papers on the advisability of consolidation of collective bargaining acts, and collective bargaining for the University System and the rest of state government.

A staff paper on employee motivation and productivity.

2:45 p.m. Public Testimony

3:30 p.m. Executive Session to reach tentative decisions on the remainder of the collective bargaining issues and review draft legislation.

5:00 p.m. Recess

7:00 p.m. Executive Session to reach tentative decisions on classification and pay issues.

10:00 p.m. Adjourn

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Agenda Items:

July 21 - 9:00 a.m. Presentation by Commissioner of Higher Education

9:15 a.m. Executive Session to complete decision making on classification and pay and begin tentative decision making on issues of increased productivity through improved personnel management.

12:00 noon Lunch

1:15 p.m. Executive Session to continue tentative decision making on issues of increased productivity through improved personnel management.

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

JB/lml